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RESEARCH ON SEABUCKTHORN PLANT
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are conducting research on Seabuckthorn plant claimed to be useful in several diseases;

(b) if so, the results achieved so far in this regard;

(c) whether the Government are taking seriously the production of this plant in view of the utility; and

(d) if so, the areas demarcated by the Government for the production of this plant ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

(a) to (d) : Yes Sir; A project on development of a tissue culture regeneration system for Seabuckthorn, at S&T Council, Sikkim has been supported. Research studies on seed biology and cultivation of this plant in large numbers through both tissue culture and conventional techniques are continuing. Efforts have been made to cultivate Seabuckthorn in lower regions of Sikkim with the association of Frankia. Cultivation of this plant is going on in Himachal Pradesh and Sikkim.